

LIT FOR LITTLE HANDS

ANNE of GREEN GABLES

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Marilla and Matthew Cuthbert, brother and sister, lived on a beautiful farm called Green Gables. They were getting older, so they decided to adopt an orphan boy to help them. But when Matthew reached the train station, there was no boy—only a talkative, imaginative, redheaded girl named Anne Shirley.





Matthew liked her right away.

Marilla and Matthew decided to keep Anne, but she had a lot to learn about life in Avonlea. When the town busybody, Mrs. Rachel Lynde, said Anne was ugly, Anne screamed at her. Matthew convinced Anne to apologize, and she gave a dramatic performance.





I COULD NEVER EXPRESS ALL
MY SORROW, NO, NOT IF I USED
UP A WHOLE DICTIONARY.
YOU MUST JUST IMAGINE IT.
... OH, MRS. LYNDE, PLEASE,
PLEASE, FORGIVE ME.

Autumn came, and Anne went to school with her bosom friend, Diana Barry. The handsome Gilbert Blythe tried to get Anne's attention. "Carrots! Carrots!" he teased, pulling her red braid. In a rage, Anne smashed her slate over his head.





Anne vowed to NEVER
forgive Gilbert Blythe.



Anne had never had a friend before, so meeting a kindred spirit like Diana was a dream come true! But after a disastrous tea party, Diana's mother told Diana that she could never see Anne again. Anne was heartbroken.



Later, when Diana's baby sister was sick, Anne came to the rescue! She knew just what to do. She saved Minnie May's life, and all was forgiven.



Still, Anne could never seem to keep out of trouble. She found a dead mouse in Marilla's pudding. She tried to dye her hair black—but it ended up green. And when Anne floated across the lake like the Lady of Shalott from her favorite poem, her rowboat started sinking!



"ANNE SHIRLEY!
HOW ON EARTH DID
YOU GET THERE?"

Anne grabbed a bridge beam as she went underneath and clung to it. And who found her in that unromantic position? Gilbert Blythe! She tried to remain dignified as he rowed her to shore, but she felt humiliated!



At school, Anne studied hard and became the star pupil. When her class gave a concert for the town, Anne was nervous to recite her poem. But she dazzled the audience in a beautiful dress with puffed sleeves—a gift from Matthew.

I FELT AS IF A MILLION EYES
WERE LOOKING AT ME AND
THROUGH ME, AND FOR ONE
DREADFUL MOMENT I WAS
SURE I COULDN'T BEGIN AT
ALL. THEN I THOUGHT OF MY
LOVELY PUFFED SLEEVES AND
TOOK COURAGE. I KNEW THAT
I MUST LIVE UP TO THOSE
SLEEVES, DIANA.



An illustration of three characters in a garden. On the left, a man with a large brown beard and mustache, wearing a blue shirt and a red and black plaid vest, stands with his hands behind his back. In the center, a woman with brown hair in a bun, wearing a blue long-sleeved top with a white lace collar and a red skirt with vertical stripes and white polka dots, stands with her hands clasped. On the right, a young boy with curly brown hair, wearing a blue shirt, a red and white striped vest, and brown pants, stands with his arms crossed, holding a gold medal. The background features a red brick building with a window, green foliage, and a yellow field with small plants.

In time, Anne finished first in her class and went to Queen's Academy to become a teacher. Her rivalry with Gilbert continued as they each tried to be the best student.

At the end of the year, Gilbert won the academic medal, but Anne won the Avery scholarship to study at the university!



THREE CHEERS FOR MISS SHIRLEY,
WINNER OF THE AVERY!

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